

# CHINESE WOMAN PHYSICIAN HERE

Dr. Yamei Kin Makes Address Before National Geographic Society.

## HAS AMERICAN DEGREE

Traditions of Centuries Cannot Be Changed in a Few Years, She Says.

Dr. Yamei Kin, the foremost woman physician in China, an unusually charming woman, addressed the National Geographic Society at the New Masonic Temple yesterday afternoon and evening on the "New Woman in China." Dr. Kin was born in the Chekiang province, south of Shanghai, of Christian parents, her father being one of the earliest of Chinese pastors to endeavor to put his church on a self-supporting basis. Dr. Kin is a graduate of the University of Nanking, and is one of several Chinese women who have obtained the degree of doctor of medicine. She is one of the leading women of the new Chinese Republic, having taken a prominent part in all movements for the advancement of her sex and of her country.

In opening her address, Dr. Kin said the majority of people in China are monogamous by preference. There is an immense demand for books, especially those on the life of the Western people. "They are studying the West and you of the West will never study the East," said the speaker. Speaking of the influence of Western ideas, she said that while they are modifying the life there, yet the laws and ideals of thousands of years cannot be changed in a very short time. The orphan system, in which she is visiting physician, was founded 10 years ago. The government has the children who are there taught the first step in weaving, just as they used to be in this country; for, though machinery is being introduced and a sewing machine has a place in the home, yet it is thought best not to go ahead too rapidly. Medical surgery and medicine are doing much for the women and children, and district nurses who go out among the poor are accomplishing a great work.

### Concerning Prisoners.

The women's prison has a lecture hall, according to Dr. Kin, and the authorities were much pleased on finding that the young women doctors in China were instrumental in sending there a Christian and a man to preach to the women in the subject to teach and educate the prisoners as well as to punish them. And the more kindly idea is placed first. Some time ago Dr. Kin noticed that this woman's prison at Tientsin was clean and orderly, and yet had no inmates. She asked the governor of the prison why this was so, and the prison's answer was to tell her that he had to find competent women to act in official capacity in that section of the prison and when further questioned said that women who committed crime which called for decapitation were decapitated. But for lesser crimes the mental relatives of the women were punished instead of the real culprit.

Arthur C. Hartings, of New York, president of the American Pulp and Paper Association, was quoted as making injurious to the paper interests of the United States to lower the duties on paper.

"It is now quite the thing to go out and buy paper manufactured in an automobile in China," continued the speaker. Speaking of corrective institutions for girls, she said that the home of unfortunate girls stands in the place of parents for such girls. When they have been in the home for a certain length of time and are living good lives they are asked at a stated time every year if they want to be married. If so, it is advertised that so many girls at the home are ready to be married. But the men applying for them have to pass a rigid examination and show that they are engaged in some good business. Some of the girls may even marry a small official.

Dr. Kin said that the Chinese plan of family planning is to be carried out in the care of her husband's mother, which is looked upon as being of help to her after she leaves this home. Although the man is the head of the family in China and really has the right of life and death in his family, "yet very seldom is there a man who has courage enough to impose his will upon his family," said Dr. Kin, and that he leaves to the women of the home all that pertains to the home.

There are some theatrical companies made up entirely of women and managed by women. They are very successful. Though factory life is not greatly in evidence for women in China, still there is enough of it to create a problem as to the hours of workers' labor, such as in occupying the attention of people in the United States. The picture was illustrated with colored lantern slides.

### Taff May Shatter Precedent.

President Taft will shatter another precedent if he fulfills a promise made to Senator Root of New York yesterday to attend the Senate session which will be devoted to eulogies in memory of the late Vice President Sherman. In many years past, when he attended a meeting of the upper house, although four years ago Taff was sworn into office in the Senate chamber.



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### BANKRUPTCY NOTICES.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF Columbia, Washington, D. C., No. 49, November 22, 1912, Charles E. Phillips, plaintiff, vs. James Fellowes, defendant.

The court held that the suit to obtain a decree from the defendant, Joseph Phillips, on the ground of adultery. On motion of the plaintiff, it is this FOURTEENTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1913, ordered that the unknown name, alias, and address of the defendant, Joseph Phillips, and the unknown heirs, aliases, and devisees of James Phillips, and each of them, cause their appearance to be entered herein on or before the day and date occurring after the expiration of three months next from the date of this order, otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default, a copy of this order to be published once a week for three successive weeks during January, 1913, in the Washington Law Reporter and the Washington Herald, sufficient cause having been shown for dispensing with a longer notice than that of three months.

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